Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of, and an apparatus for detecting a radial tilt of a disc. Phases of summed signals obtained from signals that external light-receiving units of an octant photo diode receive are compared to generate an external phase comparison signal Do. Phases of other summed signals obtained from other signals, that internal light-receiving units of the octant photo diode receive, are compared to generate the internal phase comparison signal Di. The radial tilt is detected based on the internal and external phase comparison signals Di and Do obtained when a laser beam crosses a track formed the disc. Thus, the radial tilt can be more precisely detected.